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- 2. Japanese Patent Publication 8-167416, published June 25, 1996
- 3. Japanese Patent Publication 8-162123, published June 21, 1996
- 4. Japanese Patent Publication 8-106915, published April 23, 1996
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